

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
WESTERN DIVISION

No. 5:11-CV-299-F

DARRELL RAY,  
Plaintiff,

v.

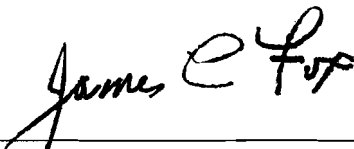
HARTFORD COMPREHENSIVE  
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SERVICE  
COMPANY, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE  
GERDAU AMERISTEEL US, INC. LONG  
TERM DISABILITY PLAN,  
Defendant.

ORDER

This matter is before the court on Defendant's Motion to Stay Briefing [DE-26] on Plaintiff's Motion to Dismiss Counterclaim [DE-27]. In the alternative, Defendant requests an extension of time to respond to Plaintiff's Motion to Dismiss Counterclaim [DE-27] until November 15, 2011. Defendant states that Plaintiff consents to this instant motion. Upon consideration, and for good cause shown, Defendant's Motion [DE-26] is **ALLOWED**. However, instead of allowing the request to stay briefing, the court will allow an extension of time in which Defendant may file its response to Plaintiff's Motion to Continue Counterclaim [DE-27] until **November 15, 2011**.

SO ORDERED.

This the 27th day of September, 2011.

  
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JAMES C. FOX  
Senior United States District Judge